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CLASS 5 ALTERNATIVE EDUCATOR LICENSURE APPLICATION

The Montana Superintendent of Public Instruction is responsible for issuing all teacher, administrator, and specialist licenses in the state of Montana. The Educator Licensure Program at the Superintendent's Office of Public Instruction is responsible for evaluating all applications for licensure.

Montana law requires that all educators be properly licensed and endorsed prior to being employed in an accredited school in Montana. If you have not been licensed in Montana, or if you wish to reinstate a lapsed, revoked or suspended license, you must complete this application material.

Montana law also requires that any applicant for initial licensure, any person seeking emergency authorization of employment or any applicant seeking to reinstate a lapsed, revoked or suspended license must submit information and material for a fingerprint-based national criminal history background check. The application for that background check is a separate packet of documents.

Please follow the instructions, complete all application material, attach all required documentation, and return the completed application material to:

Educator Licensure Program

Montana Office of Public Instruction
PO Box 202501

Helena, MT 59620-2501

For more information, you may contact Educator Licensure at (406) 444-3150 or cert@mt.gov.

If you are a Veteran or currently serving in the military, contact Troops to Teachers at 866-478-3224 or ttt@montana.edu for information regarding financial aid.

Over 170 years ago, Abraham Lincoln said, "Upon the subject of education, . . . I can only say that I view it as the most important subject which we as a people can be engaged in." Nothing has changed since that time — public education remains a cornerstone of our democracy. Thank you for your interest in applying for a Montana Educator License. We welcome the opportunity to consider your application.

If you need assistance from my staff or me, please contact us. Our website at www.opi.mt.gov contains a great deal of information that may be of help to you.

Superintendent of Public Instruction

Montana Educator Endorsements

TEACHING

Agriculture

Art

Art (K-12)

Biology

Business Education

Chemistry

Computer Science (K-12)

Dramatics Earth Science

Economics

Economics—Sociology Elementary Curriculum

English

English as a Second Language

English as a Second Language (K-12)

Family and Consumer Sciences

French

French (K-12)

Geography

German

German (K-12)

Health History

History—Political Science

Industrial Arts

Italian

Journalism

Latin

Latin (K-12)

Library

Library (K-12)

Marketing

Mathematics

Music

Music (K-12)

Physical Education & Health

Physical Education & Health (K-12)

Physical Science

Physics

Physics/Physical Science

Psychology

Political Science

Reading

Reading (K-12)

Russian

Russian (K-12)

School Counseling

Science (Broadfield)

Social Studies (Broadfield)

Sociology

Spanish

Spanish (K-12)

Special Education

Special Education (P-12)

Speech—Communication

Speech—Drama

Technology Education

Traffic Education (K-12)

ADMINISTRATIVE

Elementary Principal

Principal (K-12)

Secondary Principal (5-12)

Superintendent

Supervisor (K-8)

Supervisor (5-12)

Supervisor (K-12)

SPECIALIST

School Counselor

School Psychologist

Permissive Specialized Competency

Statement of specialized competency identified

on license:

Permissive Special Competency: Early Childhood Permissive Special Competency: Gifted (K-12)

Professional Educators of Montana Code of Ethics

Adopted by the Certification Standards and Practices Advisory Council of the Montana Board of Public Education on October 30, 1997.

Preamble

Education in Montana is a public endeavor. Every Montanan has a responsibility for the schooling of our young people, and the state has charged professional educators with the primary responsibility of providing a breadth and depth of educational opportunities.

The professional conduct of every educator affects attitudes toward the profession and toward education. Aware of the importance of maintaining the confidence of students, parents, colleagues and the public, Montana educators strive to sustain the highest degree of ethical conduct. While the freedom to learn and the freedom to teach are essential to education in a democracy, educators in Montana balance these freedoms with their own adherence to this ethical code.

The Professional Educator in Montana:

Makes the well-being of students the foundation of all decisions and actions.

- Protects students when their learning or well-being is threatened by the unsafe, incompetent, unethical, or illegal practice of any person.
- Provides educational services with respect for human dignity and the uniqueness of the student.
- Safeguards the student's right to privacy by judiciously protecting information of a confidential nature.

Fulfills professional responsibilities with diligence and integrity.

- Enhances individual competence by increasing knowledge and skills.
- Exemplifies and fosters a philosophy of education which encourages a lifelong pursuit of learning.
- Contributes to the development and articulation of the profession's body of knowledge.
- Promotes professionalism by respecting the privacy and dignity of colleagues.
- Demands that conditions of employment are conducive to high-quality education.

Models the principles of citizenship in a democratic society.

- Respects the individual roles, rights, and responsibilities of the community including parents, trustees, and colleagues.
- Assumes responsibility for individual actions.
- Protects the civil and human rights of students and colleagues.



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• NOTICE • APPLICATIONS MORE THAN ONE YEAR OLD WILL BE DESTROYED.

APPLICATION FOR CLASS 5 ALTERNATIVE LICENSE

Last Name	First Name		Middle N	ame	Forme	r Name(s)	
Mailing Address (Street, RFD, PO Box	x)	City			State		ZIP
Name as you wish it to appear on licen	se	J	E-Mail A	ddress			l
Folio No. (if previously assigned) So	cial Security No.	Date of Birth	l	Home Telephone		Work Telep	hone
Classes Applied for and Nonrefundable	e Fees: (MCA §20-4-109))		,		•	
				Fee	Che	ck Classes l	Requested
Mandatory Filing Fee fo				\$6.00		✓	
Class 5—Alternative Rei				\$18.00	+		
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FOR STATISTICAL USE ONLY: (a) Ge		-		T	ive	Asian Ame	rican
Hispanic or Latino Bl							
Other (specify)			•				
List endorsement areas you are requesting (See page 2 for a complete listing.) Do you currently hold a certified position		☐ Yes ☐ No I	f so, what				
Supervisor				Telephone	·		
			State of				
			County of	: 			
OATH: You must subscribe to the following oath or affirmation before a notary public or other officer authorized by law to administer oaths.							
(MCA §20-4-104.) "I solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support The Constitution of the United States of America and The Constitution of the State of Montana."							
DECLARATION: • I hereby declare under penalty of knowledge. In signing this application may lead to the control of the contro	cation, I am aware that a	false statement	of materia	al fact, misrepresen	tations,		
I acknowledge that I have read to	he Professional Educat	ors of Montana	Code of E	Ethics.			
	Sig	nature of Applic	cant				
Subscribed and sworn before me	Sig	nature of Notary	Public				
this day of(month)	(year) My	Commission E	xpires				
❖ SPECIFY THE SCHOOL YEAR	FOR WHICH THIS L	ICENSE IS BE	ING REQ	UESTED: 20	- 20		

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MONTANA EDUCATOR LICENSURE APPLICATION CHARACTER AND FITNESS INFORMATION

Last N	ame	First Name	Middle Initial	Former N	lame(s)		
Mailin	g Address: (Street, RFD, PO Box)		City		State	ZIP	
Social	Security Number						
						Yes	No
Do	you currently hold a Montana Edu	icator License?					
	you currently hold or have ever hedential in any other field?	eld a professional cer	tificate, license, or o	ther			
	res, please provide: State or Jurisdi		Type of	f License	;		
Cei Issi	tificate Number Expire	ration Date					
"Ye	swer each of the following questiones," please attach a separate sign ont and the circumstances surrou	ed, dated, and detai					
	e questions apply to your experience or country.	ences in Montana or	in any other	Yes	No	Informa Previou Provided (ısly
1	Have you ever had adverse action certificate, license, or other cred including teaching, or is any succession.	ential issued for prac					
	Adverse action includes, but is reprimand, denial, suspension, recancellation or failure to renew.		0.				
2	Have you ever resigned or been resign or retire from a profession of allegations of misconduct or its conduct o	nal position or militar	ry service because				
	The scope of this question include administrative or specialist position employment contract or any other teaching profession.	tion for failure or refu	usal to fulfill an				

		Yes	No	Information Previously Provided to OPI
3	Have you ever been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor crime in Montana or any other state or country or is any such action pending?			
	You may omit minor traffic violations, such as speeding tickets, but you must include DWIs, DUIs, reckless driving or similar violations. You must include cases in which you were found guilty, entered into a plea agreement, or entered a plea of "no contest" (or similar plea). We encourage you to be as inclusive as possible. If you are uncertain about whether to include a particular experience, contact OPI Legal Division at (406) 444-4402.			
	If the answer to this question is "Yes" please include the court name and address and the case name and number if available. If you have copies of court documents, please provide copies with your statement regarding the circumstances.			
I aminfo	m seeking a Montana Educator License. I hereby expressly and voluntarily ormation of a confidential or privileged nature, including confidential crimination of Public Instruction and its agents. I understand and agree that such information of my Educator Licensure Application. I release the Montana Office of Paganization, company, institution, or person furnishing this information from a many dissemination of the information requested. My signature below confidereby declare under penalty of perjury the information included in or with mplete to the best of my knowledge. In signing this application, I am aware superesentation, or omission of material fact in or with this application may be not the license I am seeking. Applicant Signature	nal justice mation in the control of	may be no truction a lity for d s consent applementalse state	nation, to the Montana eccessary for the evaluand any agency, court, amage that may result is true, correct, and ement of material fact,
	For Office of Public Instruction Us	e Only	Y :	
Fin	gerprint Background Check Complete Investigation	Comple	te	
Ap	plication Approved:	_ Date		
Со	mments:			



CLASS 1, 2 AND/OR 3 INSTITUTIONAL EVALUATION AND RECOMMENDATION

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name			Former Name(s)		
Mailing Address (Street, RFD, PO B	ox)	City	State			ZIP	
E-Mail Address					•	,	
Folio No. (if previously assigned)	Social Security No.	Date of Birth		Home T	Telephone	Work Teleph	none
The abov	ve-named is an applicant f	for teacher or adn	ninistrati	ive licer	asure in Montana	1.	
Instructions: Complete this form on Institutional Evaluation and Recon The Dean of Education or L	mmendation:						
Evaluation of Teacher Prepa	ration			nt Train Yes	ning Experience No	Semester Credits	Quarter Credits
Elementary education program con	mpleted Ye	es 🗌 No					
Secondary education program com	pleted Ye	es 🗆 No				l	
Teaching major(s)	nentary Secondary	☐ K-12					
(specify)			<u> </u>				
Teaching minor(s)	nentary Secondary	☐ K-12					
(specify)							
Class 3 Adn Elementary Principal Secondary Principal K-12 Principal	ninistrative Program Superintendent Supervisor Supervisor K-12 Spe	pecial Education					
Recommendation University Seal I hereby recomm	nend licensure for			Name)			
Signature		Ins	stitution_				
		Ple	ease chec	k if you	r institution is	State Board	☐ NCATE
Title(Dean of Education or Lic-		Da	ite				
Printed Name	,	Te	lephone 1	Number			

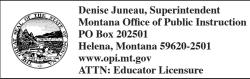


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CLASS 3 ADMINISTRATIVE LICENSE INSTITUTIONAL EVALUATION AND RECOMMENDATION FOR PRINCIPAL AND/OR SUPERINTENDENT

Within each program, the following graduate content is required. Identify the course in which the identified graduate content was contained.

ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL (content required):	Rubric	Course Title	Sem. Qtr. Credit
School Leadership			
Instructional Leadership including:			
A. Supervision			
B. Elementary Curriculum			
Management including:			
A. School Finance			
B. School Law			
School and Community Relations			
SECONDARY PRINCIPAL (content required):			
School Leadership			
Instructional Leadership including:			
A. Supervision			
B. Secondary Curriculum			
Management including:			
A. School Finance			
B. School Law			
School and Community Relations			
SUPERINTENDENT Has the applicant completed a year-long administrative internship as sup	erintendent?	Yes No Rubric	
Content Required:	Rubric	Course Title	Credit
Organizational Leadership			
Instructional Leadership			
Management including:			
A. School Finance			
B. Facilities			
C. Law and Policy			
D. Personnel and Labor Relations			
Public Relations			



CLASS 3 ADMINISTRATIVE LICENSE INSTITUTIONAL EVALUATION AND RECOMMENDATION FOR SUPERVISOR ENDORSEMENT

Has the applicant completed your institution's approved master's degree in	n the special are	a to be endorsed?	No
	Rubric	Course Title	Credit
At least 21 graduate quarter (14 semester) credits in education or the equivalent to include the following content:			
General school administration			
Administration in the special area to be endorsed			
Supervision of instruction			
Basic school finance			
School law			
A Supervised Practicum/ Internship (minimum of 6 quarter credits)			
SUPERVISOR—SPECIAL EDUCATION K-12 Has the applicant completed your institution's approved master's degree in audiology, physical therapy, occupational therapy, registered nurse, clinical than the applicant completed the following 24 graduate semester credits in	al social worker of	or clinical professional counselor?	
	Rubric	Course Title	Credit
General school administration	Rubric	Course Title	Credit
General school administration Administration of special education	Rubric	Course Title	Credit
	Rubric	Course Title	Credit
Administration of special education	Rubric	Course Title	Credit
Administration of special education Supervisor of instruction	Rubric	Course Title	Credit
Administration of special education Supervisor of instruction Basic school finance	Rubric	Course Title	Credit



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CLASS 5 ALTERNATIVE (SPECIALIST) LICENSE—SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

An Alternative License (Class 5 Specialist) may be issued to applicants who have completed a master's degree in school psychology, or equivalent related area, but have minor discrepancies such as deficiencies in Montana's minimum course requirements or lack of recent credits. The applicant may have no more than four course deficiencies, one of which cannot be individual intelligence testing.

TO APPROPRIATE OFFICIAL: Deficiencies must be indicated to the applicant and specifically identified in the evaluation. The evaluation becomes part of the Plan of Professional Intent when course deficiencies are noted. This Plan of Professional Intent must be signed as a condition for issuance of the Class 5 Alternative License.

PLAN OF PROFESSIONAL INTENT

		nents and is recommended for a three
(Name)		110.0
year Class 5 Alternative (Spec he/she must meet the following	cialist) License endorsed for school psychology. To quing specific requirements:	ualify for a Class 6 (Specialist) Licen
Courses outlined as defice	ciencies in the evaluation.	
Recent training:	semester (quarte	er) credits.
-	Appropriate Official	Date
Please indicate specific cours	e deficiencies below:	
To be Signed by Applic	ANT	
full licensure I must complete	Alternative (Specialist) License is issued for three ethe specific requirements outlined above and qualityear period preceding the effective date of the new literature.	ify for a Class 6 License. Recent cre

CLASS 5 ALTERNATIVE (SPECIALIST) LICENSE: SCHOOL COUNSELOR

An Alternative License (Class 5 Specialist) may be issued to applicants who have completed a master's degree in school counseling, or equivalent related area, but have minor discrepancies in program requirements or lack recent credits. The applicant can have no more than four course deficiencies to qualify for this license. PLAN OF PROFESSIONAL INTENT: A. TO BE COMPLETED BY COLLEGE OFFICIAL has met the minimum requirements and is recommended for a threeyear Class 5 (Specialist) License endorsed for school counselor. To qualify for the Class 6 (Specialist) License, he or she must meet the following specific requirements: Courses outlined as deficiencies in the evaluation. Recent training: _____graduate semester (_____graduate quarter) credits. Please indicate specific course deficiencies below: Appropriate Official Date Institution TO BE SIGNED BY APPLICANT В. I understand that the Class 5 Alternative (Specialist) License is issued for three (3) years and IS NOT renewable. For full licensure I must complete the specific requirements outlined above and qualify for the Class 6 License. Applicant's Signature Date



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VERIFICATION OF EDUCATION EXPERIENCE

Complete this form only if applying for a Class 1 or Class 3 License. If not, please discard. This statement should be prepared and signed by the appropriate school official. The **current** appropriate administrator may sign this form based on personnel records.

If you need to send this form to more than one district or if you need additional space, please make a photocopy of this form.

INITIAL: Class 1 Teaching—

Three (3) years of successful teaching experience, the majority of which must have been obtained in a K-12 structure.

Class 3 Supervisor -

- Three (3) years of successful teaching experience as an appropriately licensed and assigned teacher.
- Five (5) years of successful experience in an accredited school setting as a fully licensed and assigned related services provider for Special Education Supervisor endorsement.

Class 3 Administrative (Principal)—

Three (3) years of successful teaching experience as an appropriately licensed and assigned teacher.

Class 3 Administrative (Superintendent)—

- One (1) year of administrative experience as an appropriately licensed administrator (principal, assistant principal, supervisor), OR
- One (1) year of a supervised internship as superintendent.

A(Applicant)	B. Assignment teacher administrator school psychologist school counselor		please explain)
Folio or Social Security Number	other		
-			
E. Dates of employment: from (month/year)	to (month/year) _	·	
If part-time or substitute experience, give exact num	ber of days being verified:	days	
School/District:	Address:		_
City/State:	ZIP:		
F. I hereby affirm that this experience was: If unsatisfactory, attach a letter of explanation.	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory	
Signature	Present Title	Date	_
Printed Name	Address		_
City State	ZIP	Telephone	



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CLASS 5 CHECKLIST

Please be aware that:

- Incomplete application files will be returned without action, Fees paid are nonrefundable.

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	Have you completed all applicable sections of your application? Be sure to include date of birth, social security number, e-mail address, and physical address. (page 4)
	Has your application been signed and dated before a licensed notary public? Has the notary affixed his or her seal? (page 4)
	Have you indicated what school year you wish to have your license validated? (page 4)
	Have you completed the Character and Fitness Information? (pages 5 & 6)
	Have you completed and mailed the Criminal History Background Check Application to the Montana Department of Justice with a check for \$29.25 payable to the Montana Department of Justice (if applicable)?
	Have you made your check or money order for fees payable to the OPI?

In addition to the general checklist, please see additional checklist for your specific alternative license.
Elementary/Secondary Teaching:
Have you included or requested a complete set of official (not a photocopy) transcripts showing degree(s) and date(s) of award?
Has your college completed the applicable institutional evaluation and recommendation form? (page 7 - only applicable if you have already completed a professional teacher preparation program)
Elementary/Secondary/K-12 Principal/superintendent:
Have you included or requested a complete set of official (not a photocopy) transcripts from any accredited professional educator preparation program and nine graduate semester credits in school administration?
Has your college completed the applicable Institutional Evaluation and Recommendation form(s)? (pages 7 & 8)
Has your recent Verification of Education Experience form been completed by your school district? (page 12)
Supervisor:
Have you included or requested a complete set of official (not a photocopy) transcripts from an accredited college or university in the area requested for supervisory endorsement?
Has your college completed the applicable Institutional Evaluation and Recommendation form(s)? (pages 7 & 9)
Has your recent Verification of Education Experience form been completed by your school district? (page 12)
School Psychologist:
Have you included or requested a complete set of official (not a photocopy) transcripts showing degree(s) and date(s) of award?
Has your college completed the applicable Institutional Evaluation and Recommendation form(s)? (page 10)
School Counselor:
Have you included or requested a complete set of official (not a photocopy) transcripts showing degree(s) and date(s) of award?
Has your college completed the applicable Institutional Evaluation and Recommendation form(s)? (page 11)